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CHURCH WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

The mission of Earle Street Baptist Church is to worship God, praising Him for His wonderful grace, His mighty blessings and His tender mercies [*WORSHIP*]; to proclaim the message of salvation to our community and throughout the world, in word and deed [*MISSIONS*]; to be a home to all who would enter [*FELLOWSHIP*]; to minister to the needs of one another and those around us [*MINISTRY*]; and to assist in personal spiritual growth [*EDUCATION*].

Spotlight Sundays: During the worship services in May and June, we have been putting the spotlight on various ministries and special days in the life of our church. During the month of May, we were led in worship by our preschoolers, children, youth, senior adults, and music ministry. On Mother's Day, we recognized the mothers and celebrated two parent-child dedications. Last Sunday, we were led in worship by our single adults. This Sunday, our "Spotlight Sundays" continue:



June 14 Missions Day (9:00 and 11:00 a.m.)

This Sunday, we will be recognizing and celebrating some of our special community mission involvement and partnerships like Habitat for Humanity, Operation Inasmuch, Eastside Crisis Center, and Triune Mercy Center, and we will be commissioning our Ecuador mission team. We will be hearing testimonies from people who have been personally involved in these mission projects and partnerships, and the pastor will be giving a brief devotional about the importance of missions in the life of our church.



ECUADOR 2009

Please be in prayer for this important mission of Earle Street Baptist Church. Further details on page 2.

***** No Wednesday Activities other than VBS on Wednesday, June 17th. *****



"Crocodile Dock" Vacation Bible School 2009

June 15-18 from 6-8 p.m.
Supper at 5:15 p.m.

VBS Registration and Supper in the Fellowship Hall at 5:15 p.m. Beginning at 5:45, children who have finished eating will be walked to the gym (K5 - 4th grade) and the playground (ages 3-5). There will also be a registration table outside the Family Life Center for those not eating supper.

Vacation Bible School begins at 6:00 p.m.

- Preschoolers (ages 3-5) and children (who have completed grades K5 - 4th grade) will begin in the Media Room of the Family Life Center for Sing and Play "Swamp Stomp." Following music, preschoolers will be led to "Rocky's Preschool Playhouse" and children will be led to their "Crocodile Dock" stations.
- Preteens (who have completed 5th grade) will meet in the Scout Building for Preteen "Bayou Bash."
- Adults and middle school youth will meet in the craft room in the Family Life Center. Following crafts, adults will go to room 301 for adult "Bayou Bash" and youth will go to the media room of the Family Life Center for middle school "Bayou Bash".
- Younger preschoolers (babies - age 2, whose parents are attending or teaching VBS) will have their "Tiny Tadpole" VBS in Room 108.

VBS ends at 8:00 p.m.

- Pick up preschoolers and children from inside the Sanctuary following their "Firefly Finale."
- Pick up preteens from the Scout Building.

For more information or to pre-register, please contact
Tammy Dowdy (271-6439 or leedowdy@bellsouth.net) or
Paula Hayes (233-5332, ext. 209 or paula@ESBCgreenville.org).

Join us this Sunday, June 14 ~ 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.

Missions Day

Testimonies about various mission groups

Solo: *People Need the Lord* by Janice Hinnant

Anthem: *No Hands but Yours* by the Sanctuary Choir

Scripture: Matthew 28:16-20; Acts 1:6-8

Sermon: "So Close and Yet So Far" by Stephen Clyborne



THIS WEEK'S OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday, June 14, 2009 (Spotlight: Missions)

- 8:00 am Early Bird Sunday School
- 8:30 am Library Open
- 9:00 am Worship - Emphasis: Missions
- 9:50 am Sunday School
- 11:00 am Worship - Emphasis: Missions
- 2:00 pm Public Relations Committee (Conference Room)
- 6:00 pm Deacons Meeting (Conference Room)

Monday, June 15, 2009

- 10:00 am Ceramics (FLC)
- 10:00 am - 2:00 pm Youth: Taebo/Lunch/Pool
- 5:15 pm - 6:00 pm VBS Supper (Fellowship Hall)
- 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm VBS
- 9:30 pm Men's Softball (E. Riverside Park #1)

Tuesday, June 16, 2009

- 10:00 am Staff Meeting (Conference Room)
- 10:30 am Prayer Shawl Ministry (Fellowship Hall)
- 6:30 pm Volleyball (Gym)
- 5:15 pm - 6:00 pm VBS Supper (Fellowship Hall)
- 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm VBS

Wednesday, June 17, 2009

- 5:15 pm - 6:00 pm VBS Supper (Fellowship Hall)
- 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm VBS
- 7:30 pm - 8:30 pm College Summer Bible Study (FLC)

Thursday, June 18, 2009

- 5:15 pm - 6:00 pm VBS Supper (Fellowship Hall)
- 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm VBS
- 8:00 pm - 9:00 pm Ecuador Final Meeting (FLC)

Friday, June 19, 2009

- 9:00 am Meeting at airport for Ecuador Departure

Saturday, June 20, 2009

- Ecuador Mission Trip (June 19-30)
- 9:00 am ESBC Prayer Breakfast (Fellowship Hall)



ECUADOR 2009

Please be in prayer for the following youth and adults as they travel to Ecuador for a mission trip June 19-30.

Jimmy Major	Brian Cockman	Becky Callahan
Emily Neal	Alex Travaglini	Bruce Doolittle
Alex Holmes	Ansley Ellis	Cindy Doolittle
Connor Hips	Ashley Dunlap	Lucy Wilkinson
Chloe Callahan	Carly Poore	Tommy Wilkinson
Sara Worrell	Annie Maggio	Lee Dowdy
Preston Slaybaugh	Cecily Young	
Noah Garrett	Kevin Hinnant	



QUILTING PROJECT

Someone from the Quilting Team will be in the Fellowship Hall each Sunday morning before and after Sunday School, and each Wednesday evening during dinner to receive your contributions. It's not too late to submit contributions. You may also place your contributions into the mailbox labeled

"QUILTING PROJECT" in the main office / workroom.

Record for Sunday, June 7, 2009

Attendance

9:00 Worship	118
11:00 Worship	209
Sunday School	245
Sunday School Enrollment	637
(2008-09 Average Sunday School Attendance - 274)	
(Average Sunday School Attendance Goal - 295)	

Operating Budget 2009

Weekly Budget Requirements	\$13,433
Budget Gifts (this week)	\$19,986
Budget Requirements (to date)	\$308,959
Budget Gifts (to date)	\$339,868

Capital Improvement Fund Budget

Weekly CIF Budget Requirement	\$2,885
CIF Budget Gifts (this week)	\$2,320
CIF Budget Requirements (to date)	\$66,355
CIF Budget Gifts (to date)	\$37,507

*Includes Memorials

Endowment Fund Capital Loan

Capital Loan from Endowment Fund	\$250,000
Loan Balance (to date)	\$231,377

MEMORIALS

In Memory of Martha Cline

Bryant and Martha Terry
William Adkins

HONORARIUM

In honor of Lucy and Tommy Wilkinson

for the Senior High Program
The Simmons family

Congratulations

to the parents and family of

"Ben" Thomas Sizemore

Born June 3rd, 2009.

Weight - 6 lbs. 13 oz.



Parents are Rick and Graham Sizemore.

Big sister is Maggie Sizemore.

Grandparents at ESBC are Jerry and Nancy Sizemore.

Christian sympathy is prayerfully extended to...

Pam Hall and family in the recent death of her aunt, Kathleen Mabry.

Clara Campbell and family in the recent death of her nephew, Kevin Raysin (Longview, Texas).

From the Pastor

- Stephen Clyborne

The mission statement of our church reminds us that we are “to proclaim the message of salvation to our community and throughout the world in word and deed.” We have a story to tell to the nations and also to the people right here in our community. And this Sunday in worship, we will be focusing on some of the opportunities we have to share the gospel in word and deed - - through Habitat for Humanity, Eastside Crisis Center, Triune Mercy Center, and Operation Inasmuch. In addition, during the 11:00 service, we will have the special privilege of commissioning our Ecuador mission team (5 adults and 16 youth), who will be leaving June 19 and returning June 30. And this week (June 15-18), we will have Vacation Bible School, another wonderful opportunity to share the good news with boys and girls right here in our own neighborhood.

Our church has been blessed in order to be a blessing . . . so close and yet so far away.

From the Minister of Music

- Janice Hinnant

Sanctuary Choir—This is just a reminder that we sing every Sunday, even if we do not have rehearsal. With vacation time here, it is very important that we have everyone available in choir on Sundays. We will not rehearse on Wednesday, June 17, due to VBS.

PRAYER BREAKFAST

The whole church is invited to a Prayer Breakfast at 9 a.m. on

Saturday, June 20th.

We encourage everyone to come and participate in strengthening the prayer life of the church.



COLLEGE SUMMER BIBLE STUDY



for all college students and recent high school graduates

Topic: "The Seven Deadly Sins"

Wednesdays,

June 10 – August 5 at 7:30 p.m.

(no meeting on July 1)

Family Life Center, Real World Room

From the Minister of Youth

- Lucy Wilkinson

Ecuador- Before our final meeting on Thursday, June 18th at 8 p.m., make sure you have turned in the following to Lucy:

1. Two copies of your participant form, both notarized.
2. A copy of your passport, with emergency contact information.

From the Minister to

Preschoolers and Children - Paula Hayes

Croc Adventures – Special summer events for preteens who are outgoing 5th graders.

Croc Adventure #1 – Overnight trip to Charlotte. Tuesday, June 30 – Wednesday, July 1. Join us for a fun adventure to Charlotte that includes Discovery Place and Carowinds. For more information and for sign-up forms, please contact Paula Hayes (233-5332, ext. 209 or paula@ESBCgreenville.org) by June 18.

From the Associate Pastor

- Greg Dover

“Thank you.” I can think of no better words with which to begin my ministry at Earle Street Baptist Church. From the very first phone conversation to the warm welcome extended to Suzy and me Wednesday night, my appreciation for the grace I have encountered in the people here continues to grow. I look forward to getting to know you all better, and I am excited about the possibilities that God has in store for us in the weeks, months, and years ahead. THANK YOU!

Join us in prayer and activity.

The Prayer Shawl team recently made more gifts to be presented soon! Shawls for **Betty Kay Gibson**, **Margaret Parks**, and a laprobe for **Steve Rice** have been placed outside of the Prayer Room. Please stop by, place your hand on the shawl / robe, and say a prayer for these members of our Earle Street Family.

We really need more knitters and crocheters. Please consider being a part of this most meaningful ministry. Beginners and experienced crafters both welcome. So please come and knit with Dot and crochet with Jerry! First and third Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m., Fellowship Hall. For more information, contact Dot Smith and Jerry DeYoung.

Deacon Election Sunday, June 28

The last Sunday of June is set aside as the day for deacon election. This year on Sunday June 28, during both worship services, members will vote by ballot for six candidates to serve three-year terms. Candidates elected must be listed on the active membership roll, must be at least 21 years old, and must have been a member for at least one year.

Deacons rotating off will not be eligible for election for one year, nor are staff members (nor members of their immediate families) eligible.

If you do not wish to be considered for service as a deacon, you must call the church office by Wednesday, June 17 and ask that your name be removed from the list of those eligible to serve.

A provision for absentee balloting has been established. Ballots will be available through the church office beginning Sunday, June 21. You simply fill in your ballot, seal it in an envelope that will be provided, sign the envelope, and turn it in to the church office. These ballots will be delivered to the counting committee.

RECENTLY HOSPITALIZED

Mary Brewster
Lenwood Cochran

Marcelle Davis
Betty Kay Gibson

Sunday, June 14...

HOMEBOUND "CARE" MINISTRY "R" TEAM

Joe & Joanne Cothran

Leigh Stenhouse

Ray & Frances Gray

Nancy Whitehurst

Jim & Virginia Mann



Men's Softball Schedule

All games are played on
Monday nights at East
Riverside Park, Field #1

June 15

9:30 p.m.

vs. Covenant UMC

2 softball games postponed/rescheduled due to rainy weather:

- Game rained out on April 13 (vs. Marathon Greenville) is now scheduled for **June 22 at 7:30 p.m.**
- Game rained out on May 4 (vs. Lee Road) is now scheduled for **June 29 at 9:30 p.m.**

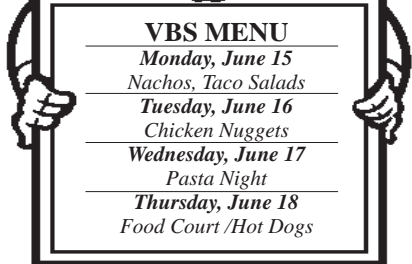
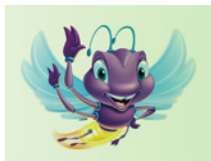
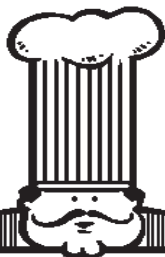
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Vacation Bible School June 15-18

The menu for Crocodile Dock will feature some familiar favorites. Chicken Nuggets, Taco Salads and Nachos will be back, along with hot dogs. Pasta Night will feature baked spaghetti. Highlights include the ever-popular Black Bean Salad and the delicious fresh fruit and veggie trays (featured nightly).



VBS MENU

Monday, June 15

Nachos, Taco Salads

Tuesday, June 16

Chicken Nuggets

Wednesday, June 17

Pasta Night

Thursday, June 18

Food Court /Hot Dogs

PASTORAL CARE EMERGENCIES

Nights and Weekends

June 12 - June 18

Janice Hinnant - Phone: 322-0503

This Sunday, June 14, 2009

9:00 a.m.

USHERS: Paul Bateman, Eli Cook,
Al Wassinger, Bryan Tankersley

WORSHIP CARE:

Coordinator: Janie Wassinger

Preschool A: Helen Hewitt, Joree Ouzts

Preschool B and C: Lisa and Ronnie Poore

Preschool D, E, and K: Jane and Al Wassinger

11:00 a.m.

USHERS: John McCutcheon, Kevin Hinnant, A. D. Harris,
Jimmy Thompson, Greg Hammond, Josh Shugart, Bryson Blackwell

WORSHIP CARE:

Coordinator: Deb Jones

Preschool A: Judy Camp, Andrea Hueble

Preschool B and C: Deb and Joe Jones

Preschool D, E, and K: Becky Bridges, Howell Clyborne

9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

SOUND TECHNICIAN: Eddy Leo

DEACON OF THE WEEK: Joe Brewer

GREETERS: Mary Beth and Russell Young,
Becky Bridges, Kristen and Zack Taylor



The Prayer Vine is for anyone in need of prayer at any time. To access contact information for members of this ministry who are serving on-call 24-hours-a-day, just dial 233-5332, ext. 700.